Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-01-06

Issued at Dillingham, Alaska January 6, 2006

Effective Date: 12:01 a.m.

January 11, 2006

Expiration Date: June 30, 2006 unless superseded by subsequent emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order opens the State of Alaska resident hunting season for moose in registration permit hunt RM575. The area open for this moose hunt includes that portion of Game Management Unit 17(A) east of the Togiak River and east of the Kemuk River, and that area of Game Management Unit 17 (C) west of Killian Creek, west of Nunavaugaluk (Snake) Lake, and west of Snake River. All other moose hunting regulations in the remainder of GMU 17 are not affected by this emergency order. Permits will be available only at the Dillingham ADF&G office, Togiak Traditional Council office, and in Manokotak. Permits are available only to hunters who have not killed a moose during the current regulatory year. Possession of a 2006 hunting license is also required.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.045(15)**, **Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Moose**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

	Resident
	Open Season
	(Subsistence
Units and Bag Limits	General Hunts)

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Unit 17(A)

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1 antlered bull by

Jan. 11 – Jan. 24

No open season

Nonresident

Open Season

registration permit;

during the period

Dec. 1–Jan. 31, a season of up

to 14 days may be announced

by emergency order

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Unit 17(C), that portion west of Killian Creek, Nunavaugaluk Lake, and the Snake River

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1 antlered bull by registration permit; during the period
Dec 1 – Jan 31, a season of up to 14 days may be announced by emergency order

No open season

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All other moose hunting regulations in the remainder of Unit 17 are not affected by this emergency order.

Jan. 11 – Jan. 24

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

James D. Woolington Area Wildlife Biologist

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JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game authorized a winter moose hunting season of up to 14 days for antlered bulls only in GMU 17A and the western portion of GMU 17C. This period is set when weather and snow conditions are expected to be adequate to allow hunters to access hunting areas. Aerial surveys during February 2004 indicated a population of at least 777 moose in GMU 17A. High productivity and moose calf survival since then provides information to indicate that moose numbers in GMU 17A and western GMU 17C are believed to be sufficient to conduct this 14-day, antlered bulls only hunt. The area west of the Togiak River and Kemuk River will remain closed to encourage expansion of moose to areas west of GMU 17A.